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Religion and life based on a study of Christianity and at least one other religion



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General Marking Guidance

- All candidates must receive the same treatment. Examiners must mark the first candidate in exactly the same way as they mark the last.
- Mark schemes should be applied positively. Candidates must be rewarded for what they have shown they can do rather than penalised for omissions.
- Examiners should mark according to the mark scheme not according to their perception of where the grade boundaries may lie.
- There is no ceiling on achievement. All marks on the mark scheme should be used appropriately.
- All the marks on the mark scheme are designed to be awarded. Examiners should always award full marks if deserved, i.e. if the answer matches the mark scheme. Examiners should also be prepared to award zero marks if the candidate's response is not worthy of credit according to the mark scheme.
- Where some judgement is required, mark schemes will provide the principles by which marks will be awarded and exemplification may be limited.
- When examiners are in doubt regarding the application of the mark scheme to a candidate's response, the team leader must be consulted.
- Crossed out work should be marked UNLESS the candidate has replaced it with an alternative response.
- Mark schemes will indicate within the table where, and which strands of QWC, are being assessed. The strands are as follows:

i) Ensure that text is legible and that spelling, punctuation and grammar are accurate so that meaning is clear

ii) Select and use a form and style of writing appropriate to purpose and to complex subject matter

iii) Organise information clearly and coherently, using specialist vocabulary when appropriate.

Unit 1: Religion and Life Based on a Study of Christianity and at Least One Other Religion

1 (a)	What does omniscient mean?				
Question Number	Correct Answer	Partially Correct Answer	Reject	Mark	
1 (a) AO1	 (The belief that) God knows everything (that has happened and everything that is going to happen) God is all-knowing God's ability to have unlimited knowledge (The idea that) God has unlimited awareness God is all-seeing All-seeing All-knowing Any alternative wording of the above points is acceptable.	 A characteristic of God God knows Knowledge Any alternative wording of the above points is acceptable. (1)	Answers which define a different key word (0)	2	

1 (b)	Do you think science proves God did not create the world? Give two reasons for your point of view.	
Question Number	Answer	Mark
1 (b) AO2	Indicative content Answers which think science proves that God did not create the world are likely to use such reasons as: Evolution has shown God is not needed The big bang shows that God did not create the world Scientific theories are based on evidence which makes them reliable Answers which do not think science proves God did not create the world are likely to use such reasons as: Scientific theories have not been completely proved Science does not disprove the existence of God as part of the process Scientific reasoning is no more acceptable than religious reasoning 	4
	Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review. Award marks as follows:	
	 For a personal response with: one brief reason (e.g. The big bang shows that God did not create the world) 1 mark For a personal response with: two brief reasons 	
	 or one developed reason (eg the Big Bang shows that God did not create the world. Science shows the world is a product of a chemical reaction.) 2 marks For a personal response with: two reasons with one developed 3 marks 	
	For a personal response with: • two developed reasons 4 marks	

1 (c)	Explain why evil and suffering may lead some people not to believe in God.
Question	Indicative content
Number	The quality of written communication will be assessed in this answer (strands i, ii and iii)
1 (c) AO1	 The main reasons include: An all powerful God would be able to stop evil and suffering, God doesn't, so people may not believe A loving God would look after believers, believers still suffer so people may not believe An all knowing God would know evil and suffering is going to happen and could stop it so people may not believe Innocent people suffer so God cannot exist People pray for suffering to end and it does not, so people stop believing
	Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.
Level	Mark Descriptor
	0 No rewardable material.
Level 1	1-2 Little understanding of the issue shown, typically by:
	 giving a brief reason not explaining but only describing the issue. The answer is likely to be in basic English. The skills needed to produce effective writing will not normally be present. The writing may have some coherence and will be generally comprehensible, but lack both clarity and organisation. High incidence of syntactical and/or spelling errors.
Level 2	 Basic understanding of the issue is shown typically by: using two brief reasons or a developed reason. The candidate is likely to express understanding with a limited command of English and little use of specialist vocabulary. The range of skills needed to produce effective writing is likely to be limited. There are likely to be passages which lack clarity and proper organisation. Frequent syntactical and/or spelling errors are likely to be present.
Level 3	 A more developed understanding of the issue is shown typically by: using three brief reasons or a fully developed reason or two reasons with one developed. The candidate is likely to express understanding in a clear style of English and some use of specialist vocabulary. The candidate will demonstrate most of the skills needed to produce effective extended writing but there will be lapses in organisation. Some syntactical and/or spelling errors are likely to be present.
Level 4	 A clear understanding of the issue is shown typically by: using four brief reasons or two developed reasons or three reasons with one developed or a comprehensive explanation using one reason only. The candidate is likely to express understanding in a clear and correct style of English with a correct use of specialist vocabulary where appropriate. The skills needed to produce convincing extended writing in place. Good organisation and clarity. Very few syntactical and/or spelling errors may be found. Excellent organisation and planning.

1 (d)	"Miracles cannot happen today."	
	In your answer you should refer to at least one religion.	
Question	Answer	Mark
Number	Answei	IVIAI K
Number 1 (d) AO2	 Indicative content Reasons for supporting this statement could be: Some people think God does not exist so miracles cannot happen today Miracles cannot happen today as they can be explained by science A miracle is something that breaks the laws of science and this cannot happen Reasons for not supporting this statement could be: God can do anything including miracles An example of a modern day miracle Miracles happened in the sacred texts so they can still happen today 	
	 the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review. Award marks as follows: Candidates who do not refer to at least one religion in either (i) or (ii) cannot go beyond 3 marks for the whole of (d). 	
	 (i) Own opinion 1 mark for a simple reason 2 marks for a developed reason or two simple reasons 3 marks for three simple reasons a simple reason and a developed reason or two developed reasons 	3
	 or a fully developed reason (ii) Why some people may disagree with their opinion 1 mark for a simple reason 2 marks for a developed reason or two simple reasons 3 marks for three simple reasons a simple reason and a developed reason or two developed reasons or two developed reasons or two developed reasons or a fully developed reason 	3

2 (a)	What does agnosticism me	an?		
Question Number	Correct Answer	Partially Correct Answer	Reject	Mark 2
2 (a) AO1	 Not being sure whether God exists Being unsure about the existence of God Not quite believing in God Not sure whether to believe in God (Someone who) is not sure whether God exists Don't know if God exists 	J	 Not believing in God Not having a religion Inswers which define a different key word (0) 	2
	of the above points is acceptable. (2)			

2 (b)	Do you think a religious upbringing makes children believe in God? Give two reasons for your point of view.	
Question Number	Answer	Mark
2 (b) AO2	Indicative content	4
	Answers which think that a religious upbringing makes children believe in God, are likely to use such reasons as:	
	 If a respected adult tells you something is true, it will make them believe it If all a child's family and friends hold a certain belief, a child will 	
	 Within a religious family, belief becomes the norm 	
	Answers which do not think that a religious upbringing makes children believe in God, are likely to use such reasons as:	
	 A child will make up their own mind about belief in God A child cannot be forced to believe anything Teenagers usually rebel against what their parent believe 	
	Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.	
	Award marks as follows:	
	 For a personal response with: one brief reason (e.g. within a religious family, belief becomes the norm) 	
	1 mark	
	For a personal response with:two brief reasons	
	 or one developed reason (e.g. Within a religious family, belief becomes the norm. So a Christian child will be taken to church where they will have their faith strengthened) 	
	2 marks	
	For a personal response with:3 marks• two reasons with one developed3 marksFor a personal response with:3 marks	
	two developed reasons 4 marks	

2 (c)	Explai	n, with examples, how television programmes and/or radio programmes and/or films		
- (-)		might affect a person's attitude to belief in God.		
Question	Indicative content			
Number		ality of written communication will be assessed in this answer (strands i, ii and iii)		
2 (c) AO1	Possible responses include:			
	•	 A television programme (such as The Big Questions) might make a person think about religion in a positive way 		
	•	A film like Bruce Almighty might help people realise why their prayers haven't been		
		answered and affect their attitude to belief in God		
	•	• A comedy like Father Ted might make a person think that all priests are either stupid or drink too much might make a person think about religion in a negative		
	•	way A programme that portrays religious characters in a positive way (e.g. White Girl) might increase a persons empathy with that person and engender belief in God		
		approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.		
		wer which does not refer to identifiable programmes/films can not go beyond level 2. Ie explanations can come from the same source or several different sources.		
Level	Mark	Descriptor		
	0	No rewardable material.		
Level 1	1-2	Little understanding of the issue shown, typically by:		
		 giving a brief explanation 		
		 not explaining but only describing an example 		
		The answer is likely to be in basic English. The skills needed to produce effective		
		writing will not normally be present. The writing may have some coherence and		
		will be generally comprehensible, but lack both clarity and organisation. High		
Level 2	3-4	incidence of syntactical and/or spelling errors.		
Level 2	3-4	 Basic understanding of the issue is shown typically by: using two brief explanations 		
		 or a developed explanation 		
		The candidate is likely to express understanding with a limited command of English		
		and little use of specialist vocabulary. The range of skills needed to produce		
		effective writing is likely to be limited. There are likely to be passages which lack		
		clarity and proper organisation. Frequent syntactical and/or spelling errors are		
		likely to be present.		
Level 3	5-6	A more developed understanding of the issue is shown typically by:		
		 using three brief explanations 		
		or a fully developed explanation		
		or two explanations with one developed		
		The candidate is likely to express understanding in a clear style of English and some		
		use of specialist vocabulary. The candidate will demonstrate most of the skills needed to produce effective extended writing but there will be lapses in		
		organisation. Some syntactical and/or spelling errors are likely to be present.		
Level 4	7-8	A clear understanding of the issue is shown typically by:		
Lever	7-0	 using four brief explanations 		
		 or two developed explanations 		
		 or three explanations with one developed 		
		 or a comprehensive explanation 		
		The candidate is likely to express understanding in a clear and correct style of		
		English with a correct use of specialist vocabulary where appropriate. The skills		
		needed to produce convincing extended writing in place. Good organisation and		
		clarity. Very few syntactical and/or spelling errors may be found. Excellent		
		organisation and planning.		

2 (d)	"The world is so beautiful it must have been designed by God." In your answer you should refer to at least one religion.	
Question Number	Answer	Mark
2 (d) AO2	Indicative content Reasons for supporting this statement could be:	
	 The world is so beautiful it must be designed, only God could do this The intricate designs of things (like the snow flakes, finger prints, sunset) could not happen by chance God has designed the world to appeal to humans 	
	Reasons for not supporting this statement could be:	
	 The world is full of ugly things (like volcanoes and earth quakes) which God would not have designed The world is not designed it was created by the Big Bang The world is designed by nature, (glaciers, rainfall etc), it is nothing to do with God 	
	Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review. Award marks as follows:	
	Candidates who do not refer to at least one religion in either (i) or (ii) cannot go beyond 3 marks for the whole of (d).	
	 (i) Own opinion 1 mark for a simple reason 2 marks for a developed reason or two simple reasons 3 marks for 	
	 three simple reasons a simple reason and a developed reason or two developed reasons or a fully developed reason 	3
	 (ii) Why some people may disagree with their opinion 1 mark for a simple reason 2 marks for 	
	 a developed reason or two simple reasons 3 marks for three simple reasons a simple reason and a developed reason or two developed reasons or a fully developed reason 	3

3 (a)	What is euthanasia?			
Question Number	Correct Answer	Partially Correct Answer	Reject	Mark
3 (a) AO1	 The painless killing of someone dying from a painful disease An ill person being helped to die in a painless way 	 Helping someone to die A gentle/easy death Examples such as assisted suicide; turning off of a life support machine 	Killing people (0)	2
	Any alternative wording of the above points is acceptable. (2)	Any alternative wording of the above points is acceptable. (1)		

3 (b)	Do you agree that the media should be allowed to criticise what religions		
	say about matters of life and death? Give two reasons for your point of view.		
Question Number	Answer	Mark	
3 (b) AO2	Indicative content		
	Answers which agree that the media should be allowed to criticise what religions say about matters of life and death are likely to use such reasons as:		
	 The media has freedom of speech Religious beliefs often contradict each other, the media is right to say this The media should educate and by criticising they can do this 		
	Answers which disagree that the media should be allowed to criticise what religions say about matters of life and death are likely to use such reasons as:		
	 Religious beliefs are too personal for the media to criticise The media is frequently biased The media might make comments which could cause conflict in society 		
	Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.		
	Award marks as follows:		
	 For a personal response with: one brief reason (eg The media has freedom of speech) 1 mark 		
	 For a personal response with: two brief reasons or one developed reason (eg The media has freedom of speech, there should be an alternative to what the religions say) 2 marks 		
	For a personal response with: • two reasons with one developed 3 marks		
	For a personal response with: • two developed reasons 4 marks		

3 (c)	Explain why some non-religious people believe in life after death.			
Question Number	The qu	Indicative content The quality of written communication will be assessed in this answer (strands i, ii and iii)		
3 (c) AO1	•	nain reasons include: Paranormal experiences lead to belief in life after death Life after death is a comforting thought Life after death is a reward for living a good life There must be something after this life, it can't be the end approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you		
		sure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.		
Level	Mark	Descriptor		
	0	No rewardable material.		
Level 1	1-2	 Little understanding of the issue shown, typically by: giving a brief reason 		
		• not explaining but only describing the issue. The answer is likely to be in basic English. The skills needed to produce effective writing will not normally be present. The writing may have some coherence and will be generally comprehensible, but lack both clarity and organisation. High incidence of syntactical and/or spelling errors.		
Level 2	3-4	 Basic understanding of the issue is shown typically by: using two brief reasons or a developed reason. The candidate is likely to express understanding with a limited command of English and little use of specialist vocabulary. The range of skills needed to produce effective writing is likely to be limited. There are likely to be passages which lack clarity and proper organisation. Frequent syntactical and/or spelling errors are likely to be present. 		
Level 3	5-6	 A more developed understanding of the issue is shown typically by: using three brief reasons or a fully developed reason or two reasons with one developed. The candidate is likely to express understanding in a clear style of English and some use of specialist vocabulary. The candidate will demonstrate most of the skills needed to produce effective extended writing but there will be lapses in organisation. Some syntactical and/or spelling errors are likely to be present. 		
Level 4	7-8	 A clear understanding of the issue is shown typically by: using four brief reasons or two developed reasons or three reasons with one developed or a comprehensive explanation using one reason only. The candidate is likely to express understanding in a clear and correct style of English with a correct use of specialist vocabulary where appropriate. The skills needed to produce convincing extended writing in place. Good organisation and clarity. Very few syntactical and/or spelling errors may be found. Excellent organisation and planning. 		

3 (d)	"The law on abortion should be changed."	
	In your answer you should refer to at least one religion.	
Question Number	Answer	Mark
3 (d)	Indicative content	
AO2	 Reasons for supporting this statement could be: Christians believe life is sacred, so abortion should be illegal Babies can survive before 24 weeks gestation so the time should be reduced It should be the mother's right to choose 	
	 Reasons for not supporting this statement could be: The law has been democratically agreed The law, in practice, allows abortion for all reasons anyway The law prevents suffering 	
	Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.	
	Award marks as follows: Candidates who do not refer to at least one religion in either (i) or (ii) cannot go beyond 3 marks for the whole of (d).	
	(i) Own opinion	3
	1 mark for	
	 a simple reason 2 marks for 	
	a developed reason	
	 or two simple reasons 	
	3 marks for	
	three simple reasons	
	 a simple reason and a developed reason 	
	 or two developed reasons 	3
	or a fully developed reason	
	(ii) Why some people may disagree with their opinion 1 mark for	
	a simple reason	
	2 marks for	
	a developed reason ar two simple reasons	
	 or two simple reasons 3 marks for 	
	three simple reasons	
	 a simple reason and a developed reason 	
	 or two developed reasons 	
	or a fully developed reason	

4 (a)	What is meant by near-death experience?			
Question Number	Correct Answer	Partially Correct Answer	Reject	Mark
4 (a) AO1	 When someone about to die has an out of body experience When you nearly die and see a bright light Looking down at yourself when you are nearly dead When you are nearly dead and have a vision of heaven Any alternative wording of the above points is acceptable. (2) 	 Feeling yourself floating above your body Having a vision of heaven Seeing a bright light Any alternative wording of the above point is acceptable. (1) 	 Answers which define a different key word When they nearly die and don't (0) 	2

4 (b)	Do you think that euthanasia should be legal in the UK? Give two reasons for your point of view.		
Question	Answer	Mark	
Number		Mark	
4 (b)	Indicative content	4	
AO2	 Answers which think euthanasia should be legal in the UK are likely to use such reasons as: It is often the most loving thing to do It can be the lesser of two evils People should have control over whether they live or die Answers which do not think euthanasia should be legal in the UK are likely to use such reasons as: Life is sacred 		
	 Only God has the right to end someone's life If it were legal people would abuse it Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review. 		
	Award marks as follows:		
	 For a personal response with: one brief reason (e.g. People should have control over whether they live or die) 		
	1 mark For a personal response with: • two brief reasons • or one developed reason (e.g. People should have control over whether they live or die. Legalised euthanasia allows people to make this decision without fear of legal proceedings.) 2 marks		
	For a personal response with:3 marks• two reasons with one developed3 marks		
	For a personal response with:• two developed reasons4 marks		

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Explain why some followers of one r <i>eligion other than Christianity</i> do not agree with abortion.		
Indicative content		
The quality of written communication will be assessed in this answer (strands i, ii and iii)		
Reject answers which do not refer to a religion other than Christianity		
Islam		
 The main Muslim reasons include: The Qur'an says that murder is wrong Muslims believe in the sanctity of life, and abortion goes against the sanctity of life Many Muslim scholars are against abortion After death a Muslim must explain why they aborted an unborn child 		
Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.		
Judaism		
 The main reasons Jewish person would give include: The Commandment says that murder is wrong Jewish people believe in the sanctity of life, and abortion goes against the sanctity of life Many Jewish teachers are against abortion It goes against Jewish teaching on raising a family Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review. 		
Hinduism		
 The main Hindu reasons include: Hindus believe in the sanctity of life, and abortion goes against the sanctity of life Many Hindu teachers are against abortion It goes against Hindu teaching on ahimsa It goes against Hindu teachings on raising a family Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review. 		
Buddhism		
 The main Buddhist reasons include: Buddhist believe in the sanctity of life, and abortion goes against the sanctity of life Many Buddhist teachers are against abortion It goes against Buddhist teaching on suffering It goes against Buddhist teaching on taking a life (First precept) Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review. 		

	Sikhis	m	
	The m	ain Sikh reasons include: It goes against Sikh teachings on the sanctity of life Many Sikhs believe life begins at conception so Abortion is murder It goes against Sikh teachings on family life It is a rejection of God's creation	
Level	Mark	Descriptor	
	0	No rewardable material.	
Level 1	1-2	 Little understanding of the issue shown, typically by: giving a brief reason not explaining but only describing the issue. The answer is likely to be in basic English. The skills needed to produce effective writing will not normally be present. The writing may have some coherence and will be generally comprehensible, but lack both clarity and organisation. High incidence of syntactical and/or spelling errors. 	
Level 2	3-4	 Basic understanding of the issue is shown typically by: using two brief reasons or a developed reason. The candidate is likely to express understanding with a limited command of English and little use of specialist vocabulary. The range of skills needed to produce effective writing is likely to be limited. There are likely to be passages which lack clarity and proper organisation. Frequent syntactical and/or spelling errors are likely to be present. 	
Level 3	5-6	 A more developed understanding of the issue is shown typically by: using three brief reasons or a fully developed reason or two reasons with one developed. The candidate is likely to express understanding in a clear style of English and some use of specialist vocabulary. The candidate will demonstrate most of the skills needed to produce effective extended writing but there will be lapses in organisation. Some syntactical and/or spelling errors are likely to be present. 	
Level 4	7-8	 A clear understanding of the issue is shown typically by: using four brief reasons or two developed reasons or three reasons with one developed or a comprehensive explanation using one reason only. The candidate is likely to express understanding in a clear and correct style of English with a correct use of specialist vocabulary where appropriate. The skills needed to produce convincing extended writing in place. Good organisation and clarity. Very few syntactical and/or spelling errors may be found. Excellent organisation and planning. 	

4 (d)	"Life after death is impossible."	
Question	In your answer you should refer to at least one religion. Answer	Mark
Number		
4 (d) AO2	Indicative content	
AU2	 Reasons for supporting this statement could be: There is no evidence to prove life after death Some people would say that it is just an idea to comfort people Religious ideas about life after death all conflict 	
	 Reasons for not supporting this statement could be: Religious scriptures teach about life after death It is stated as part of the Christian creeds / Muslim six articles of faith Christians believe in it because Jesus rose from the dead 	
	Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.	
	Award marks as follows: Candidates who do not refer to at least one religion in either (i) or (ii) cannot go beyond 3 marks for the whole of (d).	
	(i) Own opinion	3
	1 mark for	
	a simple reason	
	2 marks for	
	a developed reason	
	 or two simple reasons 3 marks for 	
	three simple reasons	
	 a simple reason and a developed reason 	
	 or two developed reasons 	
	or a fully developed reason	
	(ii) Why some people may disagree with their opinion 1 mark for	3
	a simple reason	3
	2 marks for	
	a developed reason	
	or two simple reasons	
	3 marks for	
	 three simple reasons a simple reason and a developed reason 	
	 a simple reason and a developed reason or two developed reasons 	
	 or a fully developed reason 	

5 (a)	What is promiscuity?			
Question Number	Correct Answer	Partially Correct Answer	Reject	Mark
5 (a) AO1	 Having sex with a number of partners without commitment Having (casual) sex with a number of people Being indiscriminate in sexual relationships Sleeping around Any alternative wording of the above points is acceptable. (2) 	 Sex before marriage Sex outside marriage Any alternative wording of the above point is acceptable. (1) 	 Making promises to someone (0) 	2

5 (b)	Do you think that sex outside marriage is acceptable? Give two reasons for your point of view.	
Question	Answer	Mark
Number		War K
5 (b) AO2	 Indicative content Answers which think that sex outside marriage is acceptable are likely to use such reasons as: Sex before marriage allows partners to become closer Sex before marriage is acceptable in society Sex before marriage is a way of finding out if you are sexual compatible Answers which do not think that sex outside marriage is acceptable are likely to use such reasons as: 	-
	 It is against many religious teachings Adultery breaks the marriage vows It can lead to increased STIs Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the lead be under the second state of the under th	
	 levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be se to review. Award marks as follows: For a personal response with: 	nτ
	 one brief reason (eg Sex before marriage allows partners to become closer))
	 1 mark For a personal response with: two brief reasons or one developed reason (eg Sex before marriage allows partners to become closer, this means that people will know whether they should get married or not) 2 marks 	w
	For a personal response with:	_
	• two reasons with one developed 3 mark	(S
	For a personal response with:	
	two developed reasons 4 mark	(S

5 (c)	Explai	n why some Christians accept homosexuality and some do not.	
Question		tive content	
Number		ality of written communication will be assessed in this answer (strands i, ii and iii)	
5 (c) AO1	Some Christians accept homosexuality because: Homosexuality is accepted in society The Bible records instances of same sex relationships They think that God is the only one who should judge Homosexuality has been shown to occur naturally Some Christians accept homosexuality, but do not accept that homosexuals should have sexual relationships because: Homosexuals cannot be married Homosexual sexual relations are not procreative It is in the catechism Some Christians do not accept homosexuality because: Homosexuality is regarded as sinful Homosexuality is regarded as not natural In Genesis God made man and woman as partners In the Old Testament it states that homosexuality is not acceptable		
	An ans	swer which does not refer to two attitudes can not go beyond level three.	
		approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.	
Level	Mark	Descriptor	
	0	No rewardable material.	
Level 1	1-2	Little understanding of the issue shown, typically by:	
		giving a brief reason	
		 not explaining but only describing the issue. The answer is likely to be in basic English. The skills needed to produce effective writing will not normally be present. The writing may have some coherence and will be generally comprehensible, but lack both clarity and organisation. High incidence of syntactical and/or spelling errors. 	
Level 2	3-4	Basic understanding of the issue is shown typically by:	
		using two brief reasons	
		 or a developed reason. 	
		The candidate is likely to express understanding with a limited command of English and little use of specialist vocabulary. The range of skills needed to produce	
		effective writing is likely to be limited. There are likely to be passages which lack	
		clarity and proper organisation. Frequent syntactical and/or spelling errors are	
		likely to be present.	
Level 3	5-6	A more developed understanding of the issue is shown typically by:	
		using three brief reasonsor a fully developed reason	
		 or two reasons with one developed. 	
		The candidate is likely to express understanding in a clear style of English and	
		some use of specialist vocabulary. The candidate will demonstrate most of the	
		skills needed to produce effective extended writing but there will be lapses in	
Level 4	7-8	organisation. Some syntactical and/or spelling errors are likely to be present.	
Level 4	/-0	 A clear understanding of the issue is shown typically by referring to two attitudes: using four brief reasons 	
		 or two developed reasons 	
		 one fully developed and one brief reason 	
		or three reasons with one developed	
		The candidate is likely to express understanding in a clear and correct style of	
		English with a correct use of specialist vocabulary where appropriate. The skills needed to produce convincing extended writing in place. Good organisation and	
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	clarity. Very few syntactical and/or spelling errors may be found. Exceller organisation and planning.	nt
5 (d)	"A religious family is a happy family." In your answer you should refer to at least one religion other than Christianity.	
Question Number	Answer	Mark
Number 5 (d) AO2	Indicative content Islam Reasons for supporting this statement could be: • Everyone believes the same thing • The Qur'an has rules for family life • Religion teaches parents and children to respect each other Reasons for not supporting this statement could be: • Families only need love to be happy • Religion can cause conflict in families • Religion imposes unnecessary rules on families Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review. Judaism Reasons for supporting this statement could be: • It is part of the Mitzvot which are given to encourage a good life • It is where many celebrations take place • Judaism teaches parents and children to respect each other Reasons for not supporting this statement could be: • Families only need love to be happy • Religion can cause conflict in families • Religion imposes unnecessary rules on families Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review. • Hinduism Reasons for supporting this statement could be: • It is where many celebrations take place <td< td=""><td></td></td<>	

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Sikhism Reasons for supporting this statement could be: It is where many celebrations take place The Guru Granth Sahib teaches that family life is good It is an important way of gaining good karma Reasons for not supporting this statement could be: Families only need love to be happy Religion can cause conflict in families Religion imposes unnecessary rules on families Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If	
you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.	
 Buddhism Reasons for supporting this statement could be: It is where many celebrations take place A religious family is a stable unit and is therefore happy It is an important way of gaining good merit, through showing selflessness and compassion 	
 Reasons for not supporting this statement could be: Families only need love to be happy Religion can cause conflict in families Religion imposes unnecessary rules on families 	
Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.	
Award marks as follows: Candidates who do not refer to at least one religion other than Christianity in either (i) or (ii) cannot go beyond 3 marks for the whole of (d).	
 (i) Own opinion 1 mark for a simple reason 2 marks for a developed reason or two simple reasons 	
 or two simple reasons 3 marks for 	
three simple reasons	
 a simple reason and a developed reason or two developed reasons 	
 or a fully developed reason 	
(ii) Why some people may disagree with their opinion 1 mark for	3
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 or two developed reasons 	
or a fully developed reason	

6 (a)	What is a civil partnership?			
Question Number	Correct Answer	Partially Correct Answer	Reject	Mark
6 (a) AO1	 A legal ceremony giving a homosexual couple the same rights as a husband and wife A legal relationship between two people of the same sex A lawfully recognised union of two people of the same sex Any alternative wording of the above points is acceptable. (2) 	 A couple in a legal partnership A same sex couple A 'Gay marriage' Any alternative wording of the above point is acceptable. (1)	Answers which define a different key word (0)	2

6 (b)	Do you think all religious people should accept divorce? Give two reasons for your point of view.	
Question Number	Answer	Mark
6 (b) AO2	Indicative contentAnswers which think that all religious people should accept divorce arelikely to use such reasons as:• Some religions allow their followers to divorce, why not all?• Divorce is legal• Divorce might be the lesser of two evilsAnswers which do not think that all religious people should acceptdivorce are likely to use such reasons as:• Divorce breaks vows (promises) made to God• Divorce breaks up the family unit which is wrong• Some holy scriptures teach against divorceOther approaches are possible and must be marked according to thelevels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent toreview.Award marks as follows:	4
	 For a personal response with: one brief reason (eg Divorce might be the lesser of two evils) 1 mark For a personal response with: two brief reasons or one developed reason (e.g. Divorce might be the lesser of two evils. Religious people do not want people to suffer so should accept divorce.) 2 marks 	
	For a personal response with:2 marks• two reasons with one developed3 marks	
	For a personal response with:• two developed reasons4 marks	

6 (C)	Choose one <i>religion other than Christianity</i> and explain why most of its followers do not accept sex outside marriage.
Question Number	Indicative content The quality of written communication will be assessed in this answer (strands i, ii and iii)
6 (c) AO1	Reject answers which do not refer to a religion other than Christianity.
	Islam
	 The main Muslim reasons include: Muslims regard sex before marriage as fornication (or adultery) Sex outside marriage is forbidden (haram) Sex outside marriage could lead to unwanted pregnancies/STIs Muhammad said (hadith) that adultery is wrong Adultery can break up the family
	Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.
	Judaism
	 The main reasons given by Jewish people include: It is fornication (or adultery) Sex outside marriage is forbidden in the Torah The Talmud teaches that that premarital sex and adultery are wrong Adultery can break up the family
	Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.
	Hinduism
	 The main Hindu reasons include: Pre marital sex is against ones dharma Sex outside marriage brings bad karma The scriptures teach that that premarital sex and adultery are wrong Adultery can break up the family
	Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.
	Sikhism
	 The main Sikh reasons include: The Gurus did not have sex outside marriage Sex outside marriage brings bad karma The Rahit Maryada teaches that that sex outside marriage is wrong Adultery can break up the family
	Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.

	Buddhism				
	The main Buddhist reasons include:				
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	•	 The precept to refrain from sensual misuse teaches that that sex outside marriage is wrong 			
		 Adultery can break up the family 			
	•	Aduitery can break up the failing			
		approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you nsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.			
Level	Mark	Descriptor			
	0	No rewardable material.			
Level 1	1-2	 Little understanding of the issue shown, typically by: giving a brief reason 			
		 not explaining but only describing the issue. 			
		The answer is likely to be in basic English. The skills needed to produce			
		effective writing will not normally be present. The writing may have some			
		coherence and will be generally comprehensible, but lack both clarity and			
	2.4	organisation. High incidence of syntactical and/or spelling errors.			
Level 2	3-4	 Basic understanding of the issue is shown typically by: using two brief reasons 			
		 or a developed reason. 			
		The candidate is likely to express understanding with a limited command of English and little use of specialist vocabulary. The range of skills needed to produce effective writing is likely to be limited. There are likely to be passages which lack clarity and proper organisation. Frequent syntactical			
		and/or spelling errors are likely to be present.			
Level 3	5-6	A more developed understanding of the issue is shown typically by:			
		using three brief reasonsor a fully developed reason			
		 or two reasons with one developed. 			
		The candidate is likely to express understanding in a clear style of English			
		and some use of specialist vocabulary. The candidate will demonstrate			
		most of the skills needed to produce effective extended writing but there			
		will be lapses in organisation. Some syntactical and/or spelling errors are likely to be present.			
Level 4	7-8	A clear understanding of the issue is shown typically by:			
		 using four brief reasons 			
		 or two developed reasons 			
		 or three reasons with one developed 			
		• or a comprehensive explanation using one reason only.			
		The candidate is likely to express understanding in a clear and correct style			
		of English with a correct use of specialist vocabulary where appropriate. The skills needed to produce convincing extended writing in place. Good			
		organisation and clarity. Very few syntactical and/or spelling errors may be			
		found. Excellent organisation and planning.			

6 (d)	"Contraception should be accepted by all religious people." In your answer you should refer to at least one religion.	
Question Number	Answer	Mark
6 (d) AO2	Indicative contentReasons for supporting this statement could be:• Contraception is nothing to do with religion• Contraception allows a better standard of living• Some religions allow contraception, so why can't all?Reasons for not supporting this statement could be:• Some Christians believe that artificial contraception is unnatural• Some religious people think some contraceptive methods are the same as abortion• Some religious people think that contraception interferes with God's plan for lifeOther approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.	
	Award marks as follows: Candidates who do not refer to at least one religion in either (i) or (ii) cannot go beyond 3 marks for the whole of (d). (i) Own opinion 1 mark for • a simple reason	
	 2 marks for a developed reason or two simple reasons 3 marks for three simple reasons a simple reason and a developed reason or two developed reasons or a fully developed reason 	3
	 (ii) Why some people may disagree with their opinion 1 mark for a simple reason 2 marks for a developed reason or two simple reasons 3 marks for three simple reasons a simple reason and a developed reason or two developed reasons or two developed reasons or a fully developed reason 	3

7 (a)	What is meant by discrimination?			
Question Number	Correct Answer	Partially Correct Answer	Reject	Mark
7 (a) AO1	 Treating people less favourably because of their ethnicity/ gender/colour/ sexuality / age / class Unfair treatment of a group or person based on prejudice Treating one group of people less favourably than others Putting prejudice into practice Any alternative wording of the above points is acceptable. (2) 	 Any example of a discriminatory act Not being fair to everyone Discriminating against others Any alternative wording of the above point is acceptable. (1)	Definitions of prejudice Answers which define a different key word (0)	2

7 (b)	Do you think that women should have the same religious rights as men? Give two reasons for your point of view.	
Question	Answer	Mark
Number		
7 (b) AO2	Indicative content	4
	 Answers which think that that women should have the same religious rights as men are likely to use such reasons as: Women have equal rights in society The Bible shows men and women were created equal 	
	Early Christian churches had women leaders	
	 Answers which do not think that that women should have the same religious rights as men are likely to use such reasons as: Women are different and should therefore have different rights Traditionally men and women have had different religious rights Jesus only chose male apostles 	
	Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.	
	Award marks as follows:	
	 For a personal response with: one brief reason (e.g. The Bible shows men and women were created equal) 	
	For a personal response with: • two brief reasons 1 mark	
	 or one developed reason (e.g. The Bible shows men and women were created equal so men and women should be allowed to be priests.) 	
	For a personal response with: 2 marks	
	• two reasons with one developed 3 marks	
	For a personal response with:	
	two developed reasons 4 marks	

7 (c)	Explai	n why the government encourages community cohesion.
Question	Indica	tive content
Number	-	ality of written communication will be assessed in this answer (strands i, ii and iii)
7 (c) AO1	The m	ain reasons include: The government has the duty to ensure that all people are treated equally Without community cohesion there will be division and conflict If the government does not act it could cause social discrimination The government alone has the power to work with different pressure and religious groups The government is able to introduce laws and policies to promote community cohesion
		approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you usure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.
Level	Mark	Descriptor
	0	No rewardable material.
Level 1	1-2	Little understanding of the issue shown, typically by:
		 giving a brief reason not explaining but only describing the issue. The answer is likely to be in basic English. The skills needed to produce effective writing will not normally be present. The writing may have some coherence and will be generally comprehensible, but lack both clarity and organisation. High incidence of syntactical and/or spelling errors.
Level 2	3-4	 Basic understanding of the issue is shown typically by: using two brief reasons or a developed reason. The candidate is likely to express understanding with a limited command of English and little use of specialist vocabulary. The range of skills needed to produce effective writing is likely to be limited. There are likely to be passages which lack clarity and proper organisation. Frequent syntactical and/or spelling errors are likely to be present.
Level 3	5-6	 A more developed understanding of the issue is shown typically by: using three brief reasons or two reasons with one developed. or a fully developed reason The candidate is likely to express understanding in a clear style of English and some use of specialist vocabulary. The candidate will demonstrate most of the skills needed to produce effective extended writing but there will be lapses in organisation. Some syntactical and/or spelling errors are likely to be present.
Level 4	7-8	 A clear understanding of the issue is shown typically by: using four brief reasons or two developed reasons or three reasons with one developed or a comprehensive explanation using one reason only. The candidate is likely to express understanding in a clear and correct style of English with a correct use of specialist vocabulary where appropriate. The skills needed to produce convincing extended writing in place. Good organisation and clarity. Very few syntactical and/or spelling errors may be found. Excellent organisation and planning.

7 (d)	"All religious people should try to convert others to their religion."	
Question Number	Answer	Mark
7 (d)	Indicative content	
AO2	 Reasons for supporting this statement could be: Christians should try and help others achieve salvation Some religious people are taught it is their duty to convert others Some religious people believe theirs is the only true religion 	
	 Reasons for not supporting this statement could be: It could cause conflict No one should try and force another person to believe in a certain faith Faith is a personal matter 	
	Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.	
	Award marks as follows: Candidates who do not refer to at least one religion in either (i) or (ii) cannot go beyond 3 marks for the whole of (d).	
	 (i) Own opinion 1 mark for a simple reason 2 marks for 	
	 a developed reason or two simple reasons 3 marks for three simple reasons a simple reason and a developed reason or two developed reasons or a fully developed reason 	3
	 (ii) Why some people may disagree with their opinion 1 mark for a simple reason 2 marks for a developed reason 	3
	 or two simple reasons 3 marks for three simple reasons a simple reason and a developed reason or two developed reasons or a fully developed reason 	

8 (a)	What is religious freedom?			
Question Number	Correct Answer	Partially Correct Answer	Reject	Mark
8 (a) AO1	 The right to practise your religion and change your religion Being able to practise your religion Being able to change/choose your religion Worshipping freely Any alternative wording of the above points is acceptable. (2) 	 Doing/thinking what you want within your religion Any alternative wording of the above points is acceptable. (1) 	 Religious equality Answers which define a different key word (0) 	2

8 (b)	Do you think living in a multi-faith society causes problems for religious people? Give two reasons for your point of view.	
Question Number	Answer	Mark
8 (b) AO2	Indicative content Answers which think that living in a multi-faith society causes problems for religious people are likely to use such reasons as: Interfaith marriages can cause problems within religious families People might feel confused by all the different faiths People might try and convert you to their religion Answers which do not think that living in multi-faith society causes problems for religious people are likely to use such reasons as: People can learn about other faiths A multi-faith society provides opportunities for conversion A multi-faith society allows religious freedom Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review. Award marks as follows: For a personal response with: one brief reason (eg People might try and convert you to their religion) 1 mark 	4
	 For a personal response with: two brief reasons or one developed reason (eg People might try and convert you to their religion which could cause conflict) 2 marks 	
	For a personal response with: • two reasons with one developed 3 marks	
	For a personal response with:• two developed reasons4 marks	

8 (c)	Explai	in why Christians should promote racial harmony.		
Question	Indicative content			
Number	The qu	ality of written communication will be assessed in this answer (strands i, ii and iii)		
8 (c) AO1	The m	hain reasons include: Genesis teaches all people are created equally St Paul taught that all people are equal Jesus healed the Roman Centurion's servant The parable of the Good Samaritan shows that all people are neighbours to one another		
		approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you nsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.		
Level	Mark	Descriptor		
	0	No rewardable material.		
Level 1	1-2	 Little understanding of the issue shown, typically by: giving a brief reason not explaining but only describing the issue. 		
		The answer is likely to be in basic English. The skills needed to produce effective writing will not normally be present. The writing may have some coherence and will be generally comprehensible, but lack both clarity and organisation. High incidence of syntactical and/or spelling errors.		
Level 2	3-4	 Basic understanding of the issue is shown typically by: using two brief reasons or a developed reason. The candidate is likely to express understanding with a limited command of English and little use of specialist vocabulary. The range of skills needed to produce effective writing is likely to be limited. There are likely to be passages which lack clarity and proper organisation. Frequent syntactical and/or spelling errors are likely to be present. 		
Level 3	5-6	 A more developed understanding of the issue is shown typically by: using three brief reasons or a fully developed reason or two reasons with one developed. The candidate is likely to express understanding in a clear style of English and some use of specialist vocabulary. The candidate will demonstrate most of the skills needed to produce effective extended writing but there will be lapses in organisation. Some syntactical and/or spelling errors are likely to be present.		
Level 4	7-8	 A clear understanding of the issue is shown typically by: using four brief reasons or two developed reasons or three reasons with one developed or a comprehensive explanation using one reason only. The candidate is likely to express understanding in a clear and correct style of English with a correct use of specialist vocabulary where appropriate. The skills needed to produce convincing extended writing in place. Good organisation and clarity. Very few syntactical and/or spelling errors may be found. Excellent organisation and planning. 		

8 (d)	"Men and women are still not treated equally in the UK."	
Question Number	Answer	Mark
8 (d) AO2	Indicative content	
	 Reasons for supporting this statement could be: Many religions do not allow men and women the same positions within religion Many more men hold positions of power Women are more likely to stay at home to look after children than men are 	
	 Reasons for not supporting this statement could be: Legally men and women must be paid equally for the same work Politically men and women are equal Men and women can be priests in the Church of England 	
	Other approaches are possible and must be marked according to the levels. If you are unsure of the validity of an answer, it must be sent to review.	
	Award marks as follows:	
	Candidates who do not refer to at least one religion in either (i) or (ii) cannot go beyond 3 marks for the whole of (d).	
	 (i) Own opinion 1 mark for a simple reason 2 marks for a developed reason 	
	 or two simple reasons 3 marks for three simple reasons a simple reason and a developed reason or two developed reasons or a fully developed reason 	3
	 (ii) Why some people may disagree with their opinion 1 mark for a simple reason 	
	 2 marks for a developed reason or two simple reasons 3 marks for 	3
	 three simple reasons a simple reason and a developed reason or two developed reasons or a fully developed reason 	

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